

technical assistance to recipients of grants for supportive services for very low-income families in permanent housing and comprehensive service programs, and for other purposes; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to adjust the rate of per diem payments provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to grantees that provide services to homeless veterans; legislation to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a report on the shallow subsidy program under the supportive services for veteran families program, and for other purposes; legislation to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to improve public transportation services for veterans; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs repays members of the Armed Forces for certain contributions made by such members towards Post-9/11 Educational Assistance; H.R. 4874, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the use of educational assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs for flight training programs; legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the use of entitlement to educational assistance under the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program for secondary school education; legislation on Fry Scholarship Enhancement Act of 2021; legislation on Col. James Floyd Turner IV U.S.M.C. GI Bill Transfer Act of 2021. Testimony was heard from Representatives Neguse, Strickland, Williams of Georgia, Bilirakis, and Cawthorn; Ron Burke, Deputy Under Secretary for Policy and Oversight, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

BELARUS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Belarus, focusing on updates on the current situation and U.S. policy responses and options, after receiving testimony from Serge Kharytonau, International Strategic Action Network for Security; Tatsiana Khomich, Coordination Council Representative for political prisoners; David J. Kramer, Florida International University Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs; and Sjarhej Zikratski, Office of Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider the nominations of Alexander Hoehn-Saric, of Maryland, Mary T. Boyle, of Maryland, and Richard Trumka, Jr., of Maryland, each to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Grant T. Harris, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Mohsin Raza Syed, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Amitabha Bose, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, all of the Department of Transportation, and Meera Joshi, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 2205, to designate the United States courthouse located at 201 South Evans Street in Greenville, North Carolina, as the "Malcolm J. Howard United States Courthouse", S. 2126, to designate the Federal Office Building located at 308 W. 21st Street in Cheyenne, Wyoming, as the "Louisa Swain Federal Office Building", S. 1226, to designate the United States courthouse located at 1501 North 6th Street in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as the "Sylvia H. Rambo United States Courthouse", S. 233, to designate the Rocksprings Station of the U.S. Border Patrol located on West Main Street in Rocksprings, Texas, as the "Donna M. Doss Border Patrol Station", the nominations of Jeffrey M. Prieto, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Michael Lee Connor, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of Defense, Stephen A. Owens, of Arizona, Jennifer Beth Sass, of Maryland, and Sylvia E. Johnson, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, and 9 General Services Administration resolutions; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the circular economy as a concept for creating a more sustainable future, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christi A. Grimm, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, and Neil Harvey MacBride, of Virginia, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Thomas R. Nides, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel, David L. Cohen, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Canada, Cynthia Ann Telles, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica, Sarah Margon, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and

Labor, and Tom Udall, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, all of the Department of State, 10:15 a.m., SD-G50/VTC.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, to hold hearings to examine successful on the job, apprenticeship training programs to help workers and business get ready to work, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be Chairman and a Member, and Tristan Lynn Leavitt, of Idaho, and Raymond A. Limon, of Nevada, both to be a Member, all of the Merit Systems Protection Board, 10:30 a.m., SD-342/VTC.

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine restoring the Voting Rights Act, focusing on combating discriminatory abuses, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine a review of the Small Business Innovation Research-Small Business Technology Transfer Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-301.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Putting Kids First: Addressing COVID-19’s Impacts on Children”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Homeland Security, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Worldwide Threats to the Homeland: 20 Years After 9/11”, 9 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled “Recognizing and Building on the Success of Pandemic Relief Programs”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Veteran Suicide Prevention: Innovative Research and Expanded Public Health Efforts”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Creating a Welcoming VA and Building Equity for Veterans through Legislation”, 2 p.m., Zoom.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the economic benefits of electrifying America’s homes and buildings, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.